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AF/E FOR AMBASSADOR WILKOWSKI

REF: (A) STATE 202082 (B) STATE WPHYRY

1. EMBASSY HAS NOTED DEPT'S CONCERN ABOUT HEAVY ELLINGTON SCHEDULE
AND IN COOPERATION WITH GRZ OFFICIALS FOLLOWING IS TENTATIVE RPT
TENTATIVE PROGRAM:

FRI. NOV.23 1730 ARRIVE LUSAKA
(GRZ PROPOSES HAVE NATIONAL DANCE TROUPE PERFORM AT AIRPORT)
2100 OUTDOOR CONCERT IDEPENDENCE STADIUM
(10,000 SEATS). IF RAIN, MULUINGUSHI
HALL (3,000 SEATS).
SAT. NOV.24 1030 DEPART BY LUXURY BUS TO NDOLA.
1430 ARRIVE NDOLA.
1600 OUTDOOR CONCERT HAMMARSKJOLD
STADIUM (10,000 SEATS). IF RAIN,
BROADWAY THEATER (3,000
SEATS).
1930 RETURN LUSAKA BY AIR.
2030 ARRIVE LUSAKA.
2200 POSSIBLE RPT POSSIBLE GRZ HOSTED
RECEPTION.
SUN. NOV. 25 1100 TENTATIVE POOL-SIDE BRUNCH FOR
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ELLINGTON AND SON MERCER AT AMB

RESIDENCE WITH RANING GRZ OFFICIALS. CON-
CURRENT FUNCTION FOR BAND AND LOCAL
GUESTS AT EITHER DCM OR PAO RESIDENCE.
1430 TENTATIVE STATE HOUSE COMMAND
PERFORMANCE.
1630 RETURN TO I-C HOTEL.
1900 DEPART FOR AIRPORT
2050 DEPART FOR ROME VIA AZ 857.

2. POST MUST STRESS TENTATIVENESS ABOVE PROGRAM EXCEPT FOR
LUSAKA AND NDOLA CONCERTS. OTHER FORMAL ARRANGEMENTS NOW BEING
COMPLETED BY GRZ OFFICIALS INVOLVED.

3. TRAVEL TO NDOLA BY TOURIST ORGANIZATION LUXURY BUS WHICH COM-
FORTABLE AND AIR-CONDITIONED; PROVIDES OPPORTUNITY FOR BAND TO
SEE ZAMBIA. RETURN TRIP BY AIR EITHER BY BAC-11 OR HS-748.
BAGGAGE AND PERFORMANCE EQUIPMENT TO BE HANDLED BY TRUCK.

4. GRZ OFFICIALS INFORMED OF NEED FOR PROPER ACOUSTIC EQUIPMENT
AND ELECTRIC POWER REQUIREMENTS FOR CONCERTS. WOULD
APPRECIATE DEPT'S INFORMING POST ASAP IF 110 OR 220 VOLTS
REQUIRED FOR ELECTRIFIED INSTRUMENTS. 50 CYCLES ONLY AVAILABLE
IN ZAMBIA. WOULD ALSO REQUIRE ASAP DETAILED INFO FOR NECESSARY
STAGE STRUCTURES FOR PEFORMANCES.

5. WOULD APPRECIATE MANIFEST INCLUDING PASSPORT INFORMATION AND
LIST OF INSTRUMENTS AND EQUIPMENT ACCOMPANYING BAND.

6. WILL INFORM DEPT FINALIZATION OF ZAMBIAN PROGRAM AS SOON AS
KNOWN.

7. WOULD ALSO APPREICATE INFORMATION WHEN AND HOW DEPT PLANS RE-
LEASE OF ELLINGTON VISIT ZNNOUNCEMENT IN ORDER COORDINATE LOCAL
ANNOUNCEMENT.
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